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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 5, line 27, with the following rewritten paragraph (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

As best illustrated in Figures 1 through 4, the hair styling vacuum device 10 generally comprises a vacuum assembly 20 and a suction nozzle member 40. The vacuum assembly 20 includes a housing 22 which defines an interior space. The vacuum assembly 20 includes a motor assembly 30 positioned within the interior space, a vent portion 23 extending through a perimeter wall of the housing 22, a filter member 33 and a ~~resevoir~~ reservoir member 36. The housing 22 includes a spout portion 24 in environmental communication with the ~~resevoir~~ reservoir member 36. Preferably, the filter member 33 is positioned between the spout portion 24 and the reservoir member 36.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 6, with the following rewritten paragraph (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

The suction nozzle member 40 is ~~operationally~~ operationally coupleable to the spout portion 24. The suction nozzle 40 is positionable around a curler to facilitate suction from the motor assembly 30 being directed around the curler.

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Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 6, line 19, with the following rewritten paragraph (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

In a further embodiment the handle member 27 includes a ~~plurality~~ plurality of finger grooves 28 for facilitating a secure grip around the handle member 27 by a user.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 10, with the following rewritten paragraph (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

In a further embodiment the housing 22 further comprises an access panel 21. The access panel 21 facilitates user access to the ~~reservoir~~ reservoir member 36. The ~~reservoir~~ reservoir member 36 is removable from the housing 22 to facilitate emptying the ~~reservoir~~ reservoir member 36.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph (deleted text being struck through and added text being underlined):

In another embodiment the housing 22 further comprises a drain portion 25 and a drain plug 26. The drain portion 25 is environmentally coupled to the reservoir member 36. The drain portion 25 extends through a perimeter wall of the housing 22. The drain portion 25 facilitates emptying the reservoir member 36. The drain plug 26 is positionable in the drain portion 25. The drain plug 26 selectively closes the drain portion 25 for maintaining suction for removal of a ~~liquid~~ liquid from hair wrapped around a curler. The drain plug 26 is selectively removable from the drain portion 25 to facilitate emptying the reservoir member 36.